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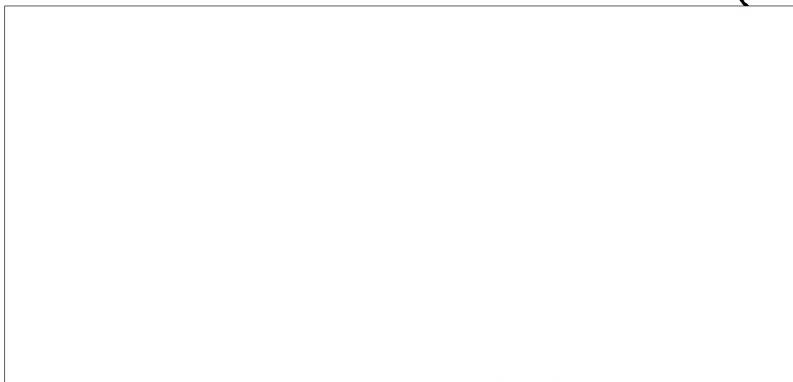
MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: East-West Trade

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Peter Flanigan is going to attend a session of an East-West Economic Group to be held in Paris for the purpose of participating on financing of East-West trade. About 25 financial people from the East Bloc and 30 from the West will attend the two-day session. Alkimov, who is the head of the Soviet foreign credit bank; Vishiani, Kosygin's son-in-law; and Androschi, Austrian Finance Minister and now head of the major Austrian Bank, are among those who are on the panel. Flanigan would like to come down sometime between 1:00 and 4:00, Wednesday, for a general discussion and briefing with someone here who has a fix on the state of East-West trade and the financing thereof. In return of which he will pursue any questions which we may have and come in to be debriefed on his return. Flanigan is a very knowledgeable and astute individual and I think we should see what can be developed out of this.


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